The Election of Public Printer.

The Public Printing affords equal opportunity with other branches of the public service for the operation of the policy of retrenchment to which the Democratic party is pledged, and which it intends faithfully to carry out. The curtailment of expenditure can be made, not only in the compensation allowed the Printer, but in the quantity of matter ordered to be printed.

We presume the Legislature will appoint a joint committee, or each House its separate committee, to institute rigid inquiry into the business, and by the examination of experts, and of existing and previous laws, to report such a schedule of rates as will secure a reduction of the cost. Fortunately there are in the Legislature gentlemen who have practical knowledge of the printing business, and no doubt they will cheerfully undertake the service of examination and of preparing such modifications of the laws as will ef_ fectually remedy the abuses complained of.

The plan of creating the office of Printer and fixing prices, was accepted as fair and just by both parties before the war, and the decade from 1850 to 1860 has been held up as a model of excellence and economy. THE CLARION has stood in the forefront among the ad- Constitution. vocates of reform. It has never wavered in its championship of this cause. It is pledged to a curtailment of expenditures throughout all the ramifications of the public serviceprinting among the rest-and it will earnestly eo-operate in such practical steps as will accomplish the end. It is the province of the Democratic Legislature to prescribe an economical rate of public printing, and to elect a competent and responsible party to perform the work. The lists are open to all comers in the Democratic ranks, and the choice of the majority will command our ready acqui-

The Message.

The Message, so far as it relates to the late election, is a studied falsification of facts and a deliberate insult to the people, who offended their plunderers by turning them out of office. It is a repetition of the slanders which have been retailed by the gossips and discomfited demagogues of the Radical party, and is designed to furnish capital for partizan uses at the cost of the good name of the white people of the State. In all that is said touching the causes of the disturbances alluded to there is not a syllable of truth, and when Gov. Ames, who is himself an interloper and soldier of fortune, pretends to deprecate race antagonism, he knows in his heart that he is shedding hypocritical tears over causes produced by himself and the other peripatetic adventurers who have been turned adrift by the outraged people of the State. With the exception of the few riots plotted by the Radical leaders, there never was a more peaceful political contest than occurred in this State in 1875; and there never was a more just and timely verdict pronounced against the culprits who have been sentenced to retirement,

THE ladies of Jackson greeted the assembling of the Legislature by their presence, in large numbers, in the halls of the two Houses. It was a rare scene in the old Capitol, and reminded us of brighter days, and of the dawning of the new era of prosperity upon which our State is entering.

Is he not to be investigated?

G. WILEY WELLS, of Mississippi, be- no doubt, of the inventor of the little longs to the noble army of third-termers. trick. G. Wiley knows how to get on the blind side of Ulysses, the Silent.

WE are indebted to Hons. C. E. Hooker, H. D. Money, and O. R. Singleton for Congressional documents.

sion. A U. S. Senator is to be elected. in a few years?

THE REFORM MEASURES.

We have reproduced, as appropriate to the assembling of a Legislature pledged to Reform, the address of the taxpayers, which the wreckers who controlled the previous Legislature treated with contempt. We congratulate the people of the State that this respectful petition, which still stands as the expresfrom those who have the power to grant it received at the hands of those to whom it was originally addressed. Some of these recommendations may need amendment, but they are all in the right direction, and will constitute the groundwork of the changes in our State administration, which are needed for alleviating the sufferings of the people.

There are other matters which will, no party. doubt, receive the attention of the Legis-

adoption of the Constitutional amendment wipes out the present districts, and will make the formation of a greatly re- telegraphs as follows: duced number necessary.

IMPEACHMENT, - A speedy arraignment and trial of the Governor and

COUNTY BOUNDARIES .-- The re-adjustment of county boundaries, which were disarranged by the wreckers without reference to geographical propriety, to promote their partisan purposes.

LEGISLATIVE APPORTIONMENT.—The re-apportionment of the Legislative dis- proof of it. tricts so as to equalize the representation of the white and black counties, and especially to secure to each county at least one Representative as under the old

Congressional Districts.—The reapportionment of the Congressional Districts, so as to place beyond the hazard of political changes a just representation of the taxpaying interests and intelligence of the State in the national councils.

THE STATE INSTITUTIONS. - An inquiry into the management of the State Institutions (the Penitentiary and the benevolent establishments) to ascertain what changes (if any) can be effected in but when it is proposed to apply it to the direction of economy and efficient Liberian citizens who possess, in their

THE PUBLIC DEBT.—We are satisfied that the Legislature will be strictly just igrants. It seems that the present chief in its dealings. The obligations of the magistrate of the republic, President State will be sacredly performed, but it Roberts, is not of pure African blood, will not be inconsistent with good faith, nor with the example of other States, to gogue from the West Indies is heading inquire whether the interest may not be the agitation against President Roberts, reduced, if the principal is promptly paid and is seeking to establish a political color

This office, as at present organized, is of African blood in his veins was regarded simply a dead expense, an obstacle to immigration, and a nuisance. Something ought to be done to purify and correct it.

quiry into the policy of funding the outstanding warrants in 4 or 6 per cent. regime on a cash basis, and maintaining it by rigid economy.

These measures, in addition to the topics embraced in the Taxpayers' memorial and address, will, no doubt, re ceive such consideration by the Legislature as their importance demands.

Amite County.

fact that soon after the election, when the whites and provoke them to commit understand that it will develop into a violence upon him, in accordance with Daily ere long. Success to it. the Ames theory, that the blood of that sort would be good for the Radical THE Alabama Legislature has met, party. But the scheme failed. The and one of its first acts was to investigate negro deputy was kindly received by the the election of Spencer by the body whites, who, so far from resisting his which preceded it. It reveals a putrid authority, or offering him violence and mass, nauseating to the stomachs of de- throwing obstacles in his way, did all in cent men. This reminds us of Bruce. their power to aid him in the discharge of the duties which had been imposed upon him-much to the disappointment,

THE Times is concerning itself about "Boss Tweed." Wouldn't it be well for the Times to exercise itself about some of its own "Bosses" nearer home, who, THE Kentucky Legislature is in sest on small salaries, have realized fortunes

Mississippi Matters at Washing. ton.

A Washington special to the N. O. late election in Mississippi, have returned | Treasury, for objects of general advice as to and made their report yesterday. They current matters in the administration of state that although there was intimida- the affairs of their respective counties." on whose judgment and loyalty to the need help. Republican party the President especially when this Act of 1872 was passed, very administration in Mississippi, told the of Venus. They were as ignorant and in-President that were he a citizen of Mis-

NEW CHANCERY DISTRICTS. - The Huntingdon, which is understood to be fit of this Act. How wonderfully kind to rich, rare and racy.

A correspondent of the N. Y. Tribune

committee that goes there will find ample

The Experiment of African Self-Government in Liberia.

The Congos of Liberia, the model African Republic which was born of the philanthropy (or whatever else you may call it) that inspired the colonization project half a century ago, have drawn the is from the Chicago Times:

Liberia is likely to have a revolution. growing out of a "color line" agitation. In that happy black republic, no white men are allowed any political privileges. This prohibition is not particularly onerveins even a taint of Caucasian blood, be it ever so slight, it becomes oppressive to many of the Colonization society's emand there is a movement to oust him from office on this account. A negro dematest, excluding all mulattoes from office. The negroes argue that in the United Commissioner of Immigration, - States a man who had the smallest drop as a "nigger," as much as the blackest and most recent importation from Guinea, and they propose to establish the corresponding rule in their own country, as OUTSTANDING WARRANTS .- An in regards those who have the least suspicion of white blood

Why don't the Democratic House of bonds, with a view to starting the new Representatives provide for a committee to investigate as to the whereabouts of

> There may be wit, or there may be fun, in this coarse squib, but we don't a spirit of investigation, and the tremensee it, and several persons, ourselves dous developments of fraud, robbery and among the rest, would like to know what corruption which followed, aroused the

resentative at large.-Times.

Comparisons are odious, as Dogberry tory, The best evidence that the people of says, but there are certain "bosses" that The people were intensely alive to and the motion to postpone was carried. Amite county have not intended to resist we have heard of, who can give the N. their interest. The one mind, the one

KuKlux testimony was being hunted up the familiar title of a new journal in our man did his duty, as the most brilliant Mr. Tison: That a committee of three be for the embellishment of Morton's bloody sister City of the Hills. The business shirt, Capt. Lake, the U.S. Mar- manager is our former esteemed and shal, deputized a negro to go into the worthy townsman, Col. Wm. French, county, when the excitement consequent and the editor is J. P. Allen, Esq., upon the election was highest, to formerly of the Meridian press, and a summon witnesses. There was good journalist of experience and ability. The reason to believe the real motive in Sentinel is published weekly, but if the sending this colored man was to insult enterprise meets with encouragement, we Oh, my!

> THE St. Louis Republican shrewdly suspects that in raising the tattered folds some of its own Senatorial twigs, and to public printing, was read and referred.

There never was a more law-abiding the National Democratic Convention apand peaceable community than the peo pears to be narrowed down to St. Louis THE Legislative black line has played fered long, and endured bravely, the the vote of Mississippi to be cast by Gen. ple of Amite county. They have suf- and New York. We are willing to leave out, but for a while longer the bloody hardships which have been put upon Sharp, her representative in the National Executive Committee, for either place, or any other he may deem advisable, without instructions.

Executive Department.

Gold closed in New York at 1 121 @1 127,

Retrenchment.

FOR THE CLARION.] The Act of Feb. 7, 1872, (Acts 1872, p. 63,) empowers Boards of Supervisors "to em-Times makes the following revelations: ploy an Advising Attorney, or law firm, at Government agents sent by the De- a stated salary per annum, not to exceed partment of Justice to investigate the the sum of \$300, payable out of the County

tion, that the Ames government was so It was a singular omission of the Legission of the public sentiment, will meet, corrupt and worthless that the people lature that they did not, at the same time, could not longer endure it. The report empower Chancellors especially, and some will not be printed by the Attorney- others, "to employ an Advising Attorney, relief, a far more hospitable reception than General, as the President believes it or law firm, for objects of general advice as would hurt the Republican party more to current matters in the administration of than the Democrats. One of the agents, 'the affairs of their office!" Some of these

depended for a report upon which he many counties of the State were manned could safely base his action, after de- by Boards of Supervisors, who knew no more scribing the iniquities of the Republican of their duties than they knew of the transit competent a set of men as were those of. sissippi he should act with the Democratic | their party brotherhood in the Legislature That they might protect themselves, if pos-Now, let us have the report by all sible against the punishment of the law, the means, especially the report of one Mr. Legislature graciously gave them the benetake money out of the pockets of the taxpayers, and put it in the hands of these Boards to employ counsel to guide them in their duties! So ignorance and incompe-Having failed with the Executive, the tency have been forced upon the taxpayers Ames party have gone to the Senate and for years at a high premium. Now, this secured the assistance of Senator Morton. arrangement is exactly what is not wanted journed to 10 o'clock A. M. The anti-Ames clique were also ably by those into whose hands almost every de-Lieut.-Governor, and their removal from represented here before the recess, and partment of the government has been turnwill be back again next week. They are ed over by the people. Retrenchment at untiring in their efforts to inform Re- this point will save to the taxpayers the publican Senators, who will listen to them, handsome item of more than \$20,000. If of what they assert are the exact facts in Boards of Supervisors are utterly ignorant the case, and will probably prevent the and incompetent, that is their lookout and ber, called the House to order. Prayer by appointment of any investigating com- misfortune. To bring themselves to the Rev. Dr. Zealy. Chief Justice Peyton admittee. They say that the State was standard of efficiency, if such a thing be ministered the oath of office to the members, carried by intimidation, and that any possible, they must pay out of their own as follows; pockets for all counsel touching the matters of the administration of their office. Let the Act be speedily repealed.

Smith County Correspondence.

RALEIGH, Jan. 2d, 1876.

EDS. CLARION: You are aware of the cause or to the superior talent and exer- ba, Johnston, of Winston; Jones, of Hinds; "color line" on the mulattoes or mixed tions of its favorite political leader. But Jones, of Issaquena; Leigh, Lester, Mallobreeds in that country. The following such is not the case. For while to each is conceded his well-earned laurels, to McInnis, McNair, McNiece, McLaurin, of triumph as that obtained over ignorance and prejudice on the 2d of November Sanderlin, Saunders, Shands, Shattuck, last. Some, indeed, think that to this Shelby, Shrock, Southworth, Spight, Stebcause alone may be traced the unusual bins, Street, Sykes, Tison, Trice, Troup number of distinguished aspirants for Congressional honors.

Here it may be permissible to inquire to what can this great change in the political destinies of the country be ascribed? Can it be to the misrule, misgovernment and maladministration of the laws of the land, or to the unprecedented exertions of an oppressed, plundered and overtaxed people? I answer to both -they acted as cause and effect-the one produced the other, as the sequal will

The people, in order to protect themselves from further aggressions, became convinced that they must, by the legitimade use of their inherent right at the ballot-box, expel from office and power, and thereby remove from their midst, the hordes of vicious and characterless adventurers, who, under the guise of unconstitutional laws of their own fabrication, were devouring their substance and robbing them of the fruits of their labor and industry.

A vicious, ignorant and corrupt government; an imbecile, vacillating adminofficials, together with the rapid impoverishment of the country, awakened most profound indignation of the oppressed against their oppressors that nothing Boss Tweed is still a Democratic rep- but their expulsion from office and power could either alleviate or subdue. Here lies the secret of our great and glorious vic-

the U. S. authority, nor to make war on Y. "boss" two in the game and beat him. object and the one absorbing interest, point a temporary Door-keeper; carried; THE VICKSBURG SENTINEL.—This is perform the task assigned them. Every appointed. result has already demostrated.

Yours respectfully, D. R. WALSH.

Wно can beat Morton shaking the bloody shirt? Ames.

INTIMIDATION-violence-bloodshed

Enforce the Laws.

Vicksburg Herald.]

service on many occasions, Senator Mortend to these first. Some of the mem- House adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M.-(See ton, will find that, like Othello, his "occupation is gone;" that the ensanguined We think the members from Claiborne garment aforesaid will rouse few hurrahs and Bolivar are of this number. Invesand fewer followers; and that it will sim- tigate their cause, and if they have vioply serve as his own political winding. lated the Constitution and the laws, weed them out. But to particularize all the different causes would take up too much THE choice of a city in which to hold of our space. The safe, and, in our

"You're always off at nights, Leander," to be best informed upon the subject. THE bloody shirt is hanging out in the revening. "Yes, my dear," replied Spilkins. "You'll remember even when I frst proposed, you considered me a pretty

MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

The Senate was called to order by Lt .-

Associate Justice Simrall swore in the new members as follows:

Messrs. Allen. Barry, Catchings, Fewell, FitzGerald, Foote, Graham, Griffin, Hooker, Johnston, Morgan, McCaskill, Oldham Pratt, Reynolds, Sims, Sullivan, Terr, Thompson.

On motion of Mr. Stone, Mr. D. P. Porte was elected Secretary; Mr. J. W. Langle Sergeant-at-Arms; and Mr. Henry Taylo (col.) Door-Keeper.

On motion the following committee was appointed on Rules: Messrs Reynolds Graham, Taylor, Smith and Everett; an on motion of Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Stone wa added to the committee.

Messrs. Everett and Reynolds were ar pointed a committee to inform the Gover nor that the Legislature was organized

Messrs. Taylor, White (col.) and --were appointed a committee to inform the House that the Senate was organized. Mr. Allen moved to proceed to the election

of a President pro tem; carried. Mr. Sims nominated Hon. J. M. Stone. Mr. Everett moved that Mr. Stone b elected by acclamation; carried. Mr. Stone in a brief and appropriate address accepte

The Message was then read and Senate ad

HOUSE. TUESDAY, Jan'y 4, 1876.

Met at 12 o'clock M. Mr. Tison, of Lee, being the oldest mem-

Aldrich, Amacker, Bailey, Baker, Barksdale, Bassett, Bean, Bell, Blount, Boyd, Bridges, Brown, Byrd, of Franklin; Byrd, Bridges, J. E. of Lawrence; Campbell, Carter, of Holmes; Brown, S. P. A., (col. Carter, of Warren; Causey, Crosland, Cessor, Byrd, C.,... Chiles, Clay, Clifton, Cochran, Crum, Dab- Bard, H. J. ney, Dear, Denson, Drake, Dyer, Edwards. | Campbell, L. A. Ervin, Fairly, Featherston, Floyd, Fortune, Garrett, Gayden, Gibson, Gillis, Gowan, ry, Massingili, Meade, Miller, Millsaps, Monroe, Muldrow, McCargo, McCormick. none can be granted the merit of achiev- Jasper; McLaurin, of Smith: Mcing, by his individual efforts, so signal a Wharter, Neilson, Nichels, Overton, Parsons, Parker, Pennington, Percy, Pound, Powell, Reynolds, Riley, Rogars, Rowan, Tucker, Turley, Warren, Watkins, Wilkinson, White, Yellowley, Young, Vaiden.

Mr. Street moved to appoint Geo. M. Go van, of Marshall county, Temporary Clerk

Mr. Cessor (col.) moved to elect Mr Street, Speaker, by acclamation; carried. Mr. Spight nominated Mr. Govan for Clerk, and, on motion of Mr. Turley, the election was carried by acclamation.

On motion of Mr. Turley, Mr. C. A. Durham, of Attala county, was elected Sergeant-at-Arms.

Mr. Mallory (col.) moved to appoint a committee to conduct the Speaker to the chair; carried. Messrs. Tucker and Mallory were appointed.

Mr. Street, on taking the chair, said: Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

,'I thank you for this manifestation of your confidence, and pledge you that my best efforts shall be directed to the faithful and impartial discharge of the duties of the position to which you have called me. I trust that I shall, at all times, receive your most generous indulgence, for, I assure you, I their "strayed or stolen "Boss?"-Times. istration, and dishonest and peculating feel sensibly the necessity for patience and forbearance on your part. To my friends who differ with me politically, I return especial thanks for their support, and indulge the tope that the harmony which has marked our proceedings thus far, will extend through the session.

Mr. Jacobs (col.) moved to elect a Door-Mr. Clifton moved to postpone until to-

Mr. Jenkins (col.) moved to table; lost;

impelled all to action, and nobly did they and Willis Mannery, (col.) of Rankin, was

appointed to notify the Senate that the House was organized; carried. Messrs Tison, Barksdale and Sanderlin (col.) were

Mr. Spight: That a committee be appointed to wait upon the Governor, and in form him that the Legislature was organized and ready to proceed to business; car ried; and Messrs. Spight, Turley and Overton (col.) were appointed.

The House then proceeded to draw for

Mr. Tison moved to adopt, for the present, A card from Col. Wm. H. McCardle, on

The Governor's Message was read, and

The Experiment of Colored Troops to be Abandoned.

THE COLORED TROOPS DOOMED. Washington Telegram to N. Y. Herald.]

Including among the regiments of cav opinion, the only course to pursue, is to alry and infantry to be mustered out are the two regiments of colored cavalry, and the two remaining regiments of The most important Congressional colored infantry. This would terminate committees for this year are those on the experiment, for the present, at least, Ways and Means, on Appropriations, on of employing colored soldiers, an experi-Banking and Currency, and on the Pa- ment, by the way, which is hardly justified by success, judging from the opinion of officers of the army who are supposed

Stop talking about the rebellion; cease shaking the bloody shirt. Put down any good off-er."-N. Y. Commercial Ad- fortunate and worn-out rag.-N. Y. Tri-

Mississippi Legislature

The following are the names and reof the members of the Legislature. in Roman, Republicans in italies. who had not located when this list was me out will oblige us by informing our reporof their residences or of any changes. SENATE.

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When a map wants a plug of tobar the grocery three-fourths of a mile of ST BALL only a step, but if his wife wants a dring 14; Nevi of cool water from a neighbor's well of posite, by some mysterious agency this seven vor well suddenly becomes removed more on BALL than half a mile away.

Vaughan, G., (col.)

A pair of stairs that ordinarily are side nomina solid as a rock will straddle in the J GEANT-AT and creak and crack together with all the fervor of a thunder clap when one is all tempting to climb them noiselessly late on, Scarbe at night. - Fulton Times.

"The prisoner at the bar seems thing 2. Me have a very smooth face," said a spectal alority was tor to the jailer. "Yes," replied the trail name tor to the jailer. "Yes," replied was to hat, up jailer, "he was ironed just before he was to last e

The following is a true copy of a letter caue received by a village school-master: "Sur, a no as you are a man of noledge, I intend to kin for do inter my son in your skull.